

Van Meter News

JANUARY 2016

SNOW ORDINANCES

SNOW REMOVAL. No person shall park or allow a vehicle to remain parked on a public street in the City from the time it begins to snow until such time as the streets have been cleared of accumulated snow from curb to curb (or from all of the traveled portion of the roadway for those streets which do not have curbs) or 48 hours, whichever time is shorter. Vehicles shall be removed immediately once it begins to snow. The Director of Public Works and Utilities is also empowered to end the prohibition on parking prior to the expiration of the 48-hour period if the Director determines that the streets have been cleared. The Director of Public Works and Utilities shall notify the Police Chief when the parking prohibition has ended.

DUMPING OF SNOW. It is unlawful for any person to throw, push, place, or cause to be thrown, pushed or placed, any ice or snow from private property, sidewalks, or driveways onto the traveled way of a street or alley so as to obstruct gutters, or impeded the passage of vehicles upon the street or alley or to create a hazardous condition therein; except where, in the cleaning of large commercial drives in the business district it is absolutely necessary to move the snow onto the street or alley temporarily, such accumulation shall be removed promptly by the property owner or agent. Arrangements for the prompt removal of such accumulations shall be made prior to moving the snow.

REMOVAL OF SNOW, ICE AND ACCUMULATIONS. It is the responsibility of the abutting property owners to remove snow, ice and accumulations promptly from sidewalks. If a property owner does not remove snow, ice or accumulations within 48-hours after such accumulations, the City may do so and assess the costs against the property owner for collection in the same manner as a property tax.

MUNICIPAL INFRACTIONS. A violation of this Code of Ordinances or any ordinance or code herein adopted by reference or the omission or failure to perform any act or duty required by the same, with the exception of those provisions specifically provided under State law as a felony, an aggravated misdemeanor, or a serious misdemeanor, or a simple misdemeanor under Chapters 687 through 747 of the Code of Iowa, is a municipal infraction punishable by civil penalty as provided herein.

Visit our website for the complete Code of Ordinances for the City of Van Meter. They can be found on our website at www.vanmeteria.gov under the section titled Ordinances.

Elected Officials:
Mayor-Allan Adams

Council-
-Kim Sacker, Mayor Pro Tem

-Lyndon Lyon

-Mike Peterson

-Owen Stump

-Beth Tweed

City Staff:
Jake Anderson-
City Administrator
515-996-2644

Liz Thompson-Clerk
515-996-2644

Dave Herman-Public Works
515-240-9280

Chad Gillespie-
Public Works

Alex Brayton -
Parks & Rec Coordinator
515-996-2644

Dorothy Knight-Librarian
515-996-2435

Bill Daggett-
Chief of Police
515-202-4154

Jon Bruen-Fire Chief
515-996-9253

Dallas County
Non-emergency -
515-993-4567

PARK & REC



Youth Basketball Clinics Wrap Up

Van Meter Parks and Recreation offered basketball clinics to 3rd-6th grade children of the community over the last two months and would like to thank all of the parents who assisted with supervising the participants. A special thank you goes out to Boy's Head Basketball Coach Jed Alexander for his assistance planning and running the program.



Spring Soccer Registration is Open

Van Meter Youth Soccer registration is open for the Spring 2016 season using the new online registration.

Registrations are due by January 15, 2016. The link to register can be accessed through the Van Meter soccer website: <https://sites.google.com/site/vanmetersoccer/registration> Starting this year, jerseys will not be organized by the Soccer Board. Jerseys for U8 & up can be picked up from Soccer Connections in Urbandale at 3233 100th St. Urbandale, IA 50322. Please call ahead for availability at (515) 270-8141. Cost is approximately \$35 for a set of white and blue jerseys.

LEVEL	BORN BETWEEN	FEE
U6	8/1/09 & 7/31/11	\$55
U8	8/1/07 & 7/31/09	\$60
U10	8/1/05 & 7/31/07	\$60
U12	8/1/03 & 7/31/05	\$65
U14	8/1/01 & 7/31/03	\$65

Winter Fun!

The Parks and Rec department is planning some fun winter activities for January and February!

Information will be forthcoming!!



VAN METER AUXILIARY PRESENTS



“Central Park in Fall”

February 3, 2016

6:00-9:00 PM \$35

Van Meter Auxiliary - 910 Main St. Van Meter

(A portion of your registration fee will benefit Van Meter Auxiliary)

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